

Iowa Healthy Homes and Lead Poisoning Prevention Program 2013 Spring Update Report



IOWA DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH

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- Final HHLPPP Strategic Plan Document Posted
- Map of Iowa Healthy Homes Programs & Services Available June 2013
- FY14 Healthy Homes and Lead Poisoning Prevention Program RFA
- Healthy Homes Meetings & Trainings

Welcome to the 2013 Spring edition of the Iowa Healthy Homes and Lead Poisoning Prevention Program (HHLPPP) update report. The Healthy Homes update report will be distributed during the spring and fall months. The Healthy Homes update report will provide updates and information on healthy homes activities occurring throughout Iowa. We are also very interested in receiving feedback from the Healthy Homes Advisory Committee, statewide partners, and other parties interested in health and housing issues occurring in Iowa. In addition, to these newsletter reports, Iowa's HHLPPP will host a Summer and Winter webinar meeting.

Final HHLPPP Strategic Plan Document Posted

The Iowa Department of Public Health (IDPH) received funding in 2011 from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) to transition Iowa's 19-year-old Childhood Lead Poisoning Prevention Program (CLPPP) and Healthy Homes Initiative into a comprehensive program to address health issues related to the whole home environment. While childhood lead

poisoning is still a problem in Iowa, data also indicated that radon, asthma, injuries and deaths from fires, second-hand smoke, and other home health related issues need to be addressed.

As part of the funding, CDC required IDPH to develop a statewide Healthy Homes Advisory Committee (HHAC) to

provide input on the development and implementation of a strategic plan. The HHAC consisted of a diverse group of public, private, and community stakeholders from across Iowa. A list of the HHAC members and the final Healthy Homes and Lead Poisoning Prevention Program (HHLPPP) Strategic Plan document has been posted to the [IDPH website](#).

Map of Iowa Healthy Homes Programs and Services Available June 2013

Later this summer the HHLPPP Resource Workgroup Committee will launch a searchable online map of healthy homes programs and services available throughout Iowa. In June 2012, the Resource Workgroup developed an online survey to gather information on local healthy homes programs and resources in Iowa. The survey was created and

distributed through Survey Monkey and emailed to over 200 county and local officials throughout Iowa. Survey results were used as baseline data to create the initial map of healthy homes programs and services.

The map will be available to anyone with internet access searching for local information on

lead poisoning, asthma, radon, second hand smoke, mold, indoor air quality, pest management, and other home health issues impacting Iowans.

For more information on the Healthy Homes Resource Map, contact Kevin Officer by phone (515) 242-5902 or email at kevin.officer@idph.iowa.gov.

For more Information Contact the Iowa Department of Public Health at 321 E. 12th Street, Des Moines, Iowa, 50319 or call 1-800-972-2026



FY14 Healthy Homes and Lead Poisoning Prevention Program RFA

The Division of Environmental Health has posted the Healthy Homes and Lead Poisoning Prevention (HHLPP) Grant Application to the IDPH website. The contract and project periods for the grant are July 1, 2013 to June 30, 2014. Applicants must submit their proposal to become an “Approved Program” by May 15, 2013. Applications are available on IDPH’s [Funding Opportunities](#) webpage.

Healthy Homes Meetings and Trainings

- **Healthy Homes Webinar – Date: June 12, 2013 Time: 9:00 – 12:00**

The HHLPPP Advisory Committee will host a webinar in June 2013 to provide updates and information on healthy homes activities occurring throughout Iowa. Registration for the webinar will be sent out by email in early May to Healthy Homes Advisory Committee members and participants on the Environmental Health email listserve.

If you would like to present information on your healthy homes programs or services during the webinar email Kevin Officer at kevin.officer@idph.iowa.gov.

- **Eco-Healthy Child Care Train the Trainer – August 7, 2013**

DHS, IDPH, CCR&R, DOM-ECI and the Children’s Environmental Health Network will be sponsoring an Eco-Healthy Child Care Train the Trainer on August 7th, 2013. The Eco Healthy Child Care Train-the-Trainer is a half-day training, lasting 4-hours. Eco-Health Child Care is an environmental health curriculum for child care providers similar to Healthy Housing for those of you familiar with that concept/curriculum.

Eco-Healthy Train the Trainer will cover topics related to:

- Pesticides and Pest Prevention • Air Quality (Indoor and Outdoor) • Household Chemicals • Lead, Mercury • Radon Art Supplies • Furniture and Carpets • Plastics and Plastic Toys • Arsenic • Radon • Recycling and Garbage Storage

The Train-the-Trainer session includes: a training manual, 16 fact sheets, a state specific fact sheet (pertaining to state child care licensing regulations, and state specific guidelines) pre/post test, training quiz, Environmental Health Assessment, and evaluation.

Cost: \$25/person (fee waived for DHS Licensing and Registration Staff)

Please RSVP by April 15, 2013 if you’re interested in participating in this training. Send RSVP to Analisa Pearson at Analisa.Pearson@idph.iowa.gov.

- **Healthy Homes Training for Community Health Workers & In-Home Visitation Staff – May 15, 2013**

The Maternal, Infant, Early Childhood Home Visitation (MIECHV) program will be providing healthy homes training to MIECHV Contracting staff. **Healthy Homes** training will be offered on **Wednesday, May 15th, 2013 in Cedar Rapids, Iowa** to MIECHV staff. MIECHV staff is working with HACAP’s healthy homes trainers to offer this training opportunity. The training will be \$15 per person for all MIECHV contracting staff. There are 20 slots available for MIECHV staff. If all slots do not get filled, training will be opening up to others across the state. All of those details are in the attached registration form.

The training is an excellent opportunity for family support staff to learn firsthand about healthy homes assessment and to be better able to educate families on what it means to have a healthy home. We have heard excellent feedback from the training that was offered in the fall of 2012!

Contact PJ West, State Home Visitation Program Manager, at pj.west@idph.iowa.gov for additional information on the training.

The 2013 Fall HHLPPP Fall update report will be sent out late August or early September. Send us your healthy homes information to include in the fall report. Information can be emailed to Kevin Officer at kevin.officer@idph.iowa.gov or Mindy Uhle at Melinda.Uhle@idph.iowa.gov.

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